

# Adelaide University Law Students' Society Inc.

## Minutes: Committee Meeting



**Date:** 23 July 2018

**Meeting Opened:** 6:14pm ACST

**Meeting Closed:** 7:35pm ACST

**Location:** Lecture Theatre 231, Ligertwood Building, University of Adelaide SA 5005

<b>Meeting called by:</b> Henry Materne-Smith	<b>Minutes taken by:</b> Henry Materne-Smith
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**AULSS Committee Members present (25):** Alison Jones (President), Henry Materne-Smith, Azaara Perakath, Sam Leeson, Soraya Pradhan, Sophia Laparidis, India Short, James Williams, Mitchell Bruner, Gaida Merei, Elliette Kirkbride, Hugo Chapman, Jack Eccleston, Erin Mack, Georgia Penglis, Cloe Jolly, Jasmin Teurlings, Eloise Dibden (arrived at 6:35pm), Belal Salih, Lucy Burnett, Liv Jay, Ali Gunning, Daniel Bartlett, Tyson Leung, Chelsea Chieng

**Also present (1):** Chris Michalakas

**Valid apologies (8):** Nicholas Garbas, Claudia Boccaccio, Louis Guglietti, Peter Tantalos, Jasmyn Tran, James Lontos, Emma Stone, Elliott Sarre

**Invalid apologies (2):** Tim Porter, Annabel Bramley

**Not present without notice (0)**

### Notice

In accordance with clause 29 of the Constitution, notice of this meeting was circulated on 14 July 2018 before the Committee Meeting, following consultation with the President. An agenda and related documents for this Committee Meeting were circulated on 20 July 2018.

### Quorum

In accordance with clause 21(1) of the Constitution, there being at least half of the current Committee plus one in attendance (including at least two members of the Executive), quorum was present at the time the meeting opened.

### Chairperson

In accordance with clause 23(1) of the Constitution, the President acted as Chairperson.

### Executive reports

The Executive provided reports under clause 31 of the Constitution.

## Agenda Items

<b>Item: Statement of Acknowledgement of Country</b>	
<b>Presented by</b>	Alison Jones
<b>Discussion</b>	The Adelaide University Law Students' Society (AULSS) would like to acknowledge that the land we meet on today is the traditional lands for the Kurna people and that we respect their spiritual relationship with their Country. We also acknowledge the Kurna people as the traditional custodians of the Adelaide region and that their cultural and heritage beliefs are still as important to the living Kurna people today.

<b>Item: Minutes and issues from the Committee Meeting on 4 June 2018</b>	
<b>Presented by</b>	Henry Materne-Smith
<b>Discussion</b>	No issues were raised in relation to the minutes of the Committee Meeting held on 4 June 2018. The Committee accepted the minutes as true and accurate.
<b>Moved by</b>	Alison
<b>Carried by</b>	Belal

## Agenda Items – Executive Reports

<b>Item: President</b>	
<b>Presented by</b>	Alison Jones
<b>Discussion</b>	<p>Deferred to written report with the following additions:</p> <p><u>Welcome back and ALSA Conference:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Alison welcomed the Committee back to Semester 2.</li> <li>• Alison congratulated to the ALSA Open Moot Runners Up, the ALSA IHL Quarter Finalists and the Witness Examination Quarter Finalist.</li> <li>• Alison reported that it was good to see the University of Adelaide maintaining its standing as a regular finalist.</li> </ul> <p><u>Law Library:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Alison: Unfortunately, Dr Kim Sorensen was not able to attend this meeting after all. I had a meeting last Thursday where I showed the results of the Law Library survey. The results were as predicted: strong support for longer hours and swipe card access when staff are not present. Short answer responses were really great too. It was good to have quantitative and qualitative data. In the short term, the library hours have been extended for the next two weeks until 6pm every day. However, the meeting was met with a little bit of resistance and I had to push to have the attendees listen to the survey results. There were also difficulties getting in touch with Kate regarding the content of the survey, so the survey had to be sent out before feedback was received from her. There will be another meeting in 2 weeks to discuss the situation again. It has been a little bit frustrating when they are not understanding our point of view but thank you everyone for filling in the survey.</li> </ul> <p><u>ALSA Council:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Alison reported that ALSA Council went for 5 days with 9am-5pm discussions, lots of topics to discuss between the Law Societies who were in attendance.</li> <li>• Alison: It was really nice to meet with lots of people and learn what we can do better. Sophia shared some good information about Law Ball with Flinders. We also went out on a delegation dinner on the AULSS account, which I approved, per tradition.</li> <li>• Alison congratulated Nick Michalakas and Brooke Washusen who coordinated the IHL Moot and Witness Examination competitions respectively.</li> </ul> <p><u>Adelaide Law School Review:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Alison thanked all those who came along to make submissions in the Adelaide Law School Review.</li> </ul>

Semester 2 Open Day:

- Alison: I have not spoken to Jessica recently, but I am expecting to hear something. The event is probably going to be a morning tea and I might ask for volunteers so stay tuned.

Uniform Clerkship Scheme:

- Alison: Good luck to everyone who has applied! Take care of your wellbeing while waiting for results. Thank you to the C&S team for doing such a good job on the clerkship events. One possible idea is that in the future the Law Society of SA could organise the uniform clerkship scheme, like the Law Societies do in other states. Does anyone who applied for clerkships have any feedback on the process? [Everyone: no].

Inter-faculty sport:

- Alison: There will be updates to come in the next few weeks.

Election discussion:

- Alison: The past ALSA president discussed some important points at ALSA. One of the important points was about having very clear election protocols. We have some rules, but much of the essential stuff is in the constitution. Other than that, the rules currently do not govern conduct during elections very well. Amendments to the election rules can be passed by the Committee. – Henry: yes, clause 59 of the Constitution requires amendments/new rules in the Election Rules to be made by special resolution in a Committee meeting.
- Alison: I am wondering what people think of creating an election guide. It would contain candidate statements for the election.
- Ali G: Would the candidate guide only be for executive positions? – Alison: yes, otherwise the booklet would be far too long.
- Henry: A lot of info already available on social media and posters, so would there be much more to add?
- Alison: It helps to hold everyone accountable, in that they have to have ideas to talk about. Also, the next question is: do we maintain tickets?
- Sophia: I like the election guide idea as it helps to formalise the campaigns. As for tickets, I like the idea of executive tickets being allowed, because those people work together, so it's good to have cohesion.
- Soraya: Even if we have just executive tickets, it is still functionally going to be a ticket system as it is now.
- Cloe: Back to the election guide, would it only make sense (given that only the executive would have representatives) for executive candidates to do it. The representatives just follow what the executive tells them to do. – Alison: A lot of universities have election guides so I will check who they actually apply to. – Cloe: Because the coordinators don't necessarily get to make choices.
- Henry: I don't mind getting rid of tickets, but I wonder if we might struggle to fill the Committee because often under the

current system there will be tickets where people get dragged in by their friends (even if they don't really want to do it) and that fills up the ticket. I wonder if there won't be enough people applying if they don't have their friends making a ticket.

- Alison: I think it's important that the AULSS takes more weight in terms of helping with the election conduct by explaining when the elections are and how to apply. If we make it easier to nominate and run for a position, we should not have a problem filling the Committee.
- Ali G: I think an election guide makes a lot of sense, especially if we get rid of tickets. I have found that the ticket system is very exclusive and many people feel like they cannot run unless they are with people. It would be much better if you could have your own platform and make your own statement.
- Alison: I also don't think there will be a problem filling positions, especially because of how many applications we got in the co-option process. For example, in the first round of co-options we had 39 applications.
- Sophia: I don't think we will have problems filling positions. I also think that Committee engagement will be a lot better if people are elected without a ticket system.
- Jasmin: I think an election guide is good. In first year, I was very confused about the process, as were my friends. It's not clear how you vote, for example.
- Alison: Yes, I felt the same way. I think we should make it easier to run and clearer how the election works.
- Sam [to Alison]: Are you concerned that having personal policy statements will open people up to attack? – Alison: Can you give an example? – Sam: For example, if you are running for competitions, you will be open to criticism for what you say in your candidate statement, whereas if you run as a ticket you can stand behind the group policy.

**[Eloise arrived at the meeting at 6:35pm]**

- Alison: I don't think it will be a problem that people will be publicising personal statements.
- Mitchell: Is the election guide going to be printed? – Alison: I think it will be electronic.
- Henry: It seems that this conversation probably isn't over. Maybe in the next meeting we can circulate draft Election Rules for consideration so we can see the precise changes.
- Alison: Yes, if you have any ideas please let me know. There needs to be a change.
- Eloise: Can I add something? Sorry I was late. But I really liked how the equity and wellbeing position was advertised, elected and the general process of it. It was really good.

Transactions:

- Alison and Henry went through the list of transactions included in the version of the meeting reports provided to Committee Members.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Henry asked if there were any other questions? [Everyone: no]</li> </ul>
<b>Conclusions</b>	As above.
<b>Votes</b>	N/A
<b>Action items</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Alison continue Law Library discussions.</li> <li>Alison to clarify whether Semester 2 Open Day volunteers are needed.</li> <li>Alison to organise redrafted Election Rules for consideration at the next Committee Meeting.</li> </ol>
<b>Moved by</b>	Soraya
<b>Carried by</b>	Sophia

<b>Item: Vice-President</b>	
<b>Presented by</b>	Henry Materne-Smith
<b>Discussion</b>	<p>Deferred to written report with the following additions:</p> <p><u>Finances:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Henry explained the profit figures and various financial statements in his report. Henry noted that the Society has essentially continued its budget-neutral financial management, and that the high profit figure for the period since 1 December 2017 was likely to be reflective of the fact that the AULSS receives the majority of its sponsorship income in semester 1 but have more expenses in semester 2.</li> <li>Henry: Does anyone have any questions? [Everyone: no].</li> </ul> <p><u>Apparel:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Henry stated that the AULSS hoodies have all been picked up and that the rugby tops are about to go on sale as per the discussions in the last Committee Meeting.</li> <li>[Alison posted the rugby tops advertisement to the AULSS Facebook page and Henry asked that everyone present please log on and like all recent AULSS posts].</li> <li>Henry: If you or anyone you know would like a rugby top, please purchase one before next Thursday!</li> </ul> <p><u>Sports:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Henry asked if anyone was interested in joining a netball team? [No response].</li> </ul> <p><u>Law School Local:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Henry reminded everyone to use their Law School Local deals.</li> <li>Henry: This year it was very difficult to get businesses on board for Law School Local. I think it would have been a lot easier if we could have shown them some data for how people use their Law School Local cards and how often they use them. Then we could have some data to back up a value proposition. Is anyone opposed to me sending out a Law School Local survey at some point to get this data? I know there have been a lot of surveys recently! Fortunately, I kept a record of the student ID of everyone who purchased a Law School Local card, so I can target the survey specifically to them.</li> <li>No issues were raised with conducting a survey.</li> </ul>
<b>Conclusions</b>	As above.
<b>Votes</b>	N/A
<b>Action items</b>	1. Henry to arrange a Law School Local survey.
<b>Moved by</b>	Belal
<b>Carried by</b>	Tyson

<b>Item: Director of Activities</b>	
<b>Presented by</b>	Sophia Laparidis
<b>Discussion</b>	<p>Deferred to written report with the following additions:</p> <p><u>Back to School Party:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sophia: This event is happening this Friday. We have purchased 80 drink cards for the first arrivals.</li> </ul> <p><u>Quiz Night:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sophia: This is being organised by Lucy Burnett. The theme will be announced soon.</li> </ul> <p><u>Law Dinner:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sophia: A new initiative for Law Dinner is offering non-alcoholic tickets. I have spoken to the InterContinental Hotel and we will be offering cheaper non-alcoholic tickets this year. Those tickets will include a soft drink and juice package. Concerns were raised by Alison about people abusing this and buying non-alcoholic tickets, but drinking anyway. However, we will have a no tolerance policy and will police this carefully. Another issue concerns meals. We are planning on two courses: either an entrée and main, or a main and a dessert. Personally, I feel like nobody eats dessert.</li> <li>• James Williams: As a spirit drinker, it can get very expensive when the ticket prices are inclusive of an expensive alcohol package but it only covers a limited set of drinks. – Sophia: Yes, we can ask the venue about some sort of special.</li> <li>• Sophia asked for a show of hands regarding meal choices. The results were: entrée &amp; main = 12 hands; entrée &amp; dessert: 11 hands.</li> <li>• Cloe: If we do entrée and main, can we do a lolly bar or a doughnut machine? – Sophia: I will look into that.</li> </ul> <p><u>Non-alcoholic wellness event:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sophia: I have met with Eloise and 3 Lex Salus ambassadors. Our plan is to run an event in conjunction with them. We are thinking lawn bowls or croquet on the University lawns. If anyone has any further ideas for what we could do, let me know.</li> </ul> <p><u>Wine Tour:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sophia: Does anyone have any recommendations? I looked at Chapel Hill but they only do packages, whereas we would ideally like a venue where people can buy their own bottles.</li> <li>• Elliette: Don't forget there is a University-run wine tour too. Are you thinking the Adelaide Hills or McLaren Vale? – Sophia: Either.</li> <li>• Alison: Can we please check the dates – Suits and Scrubs, and Wine Tour, are they on the same day?</li> <li>• Sophia: No, Suits and Scrubs is on 5 October; Wine Tour is on 20 October. I may have written the wrong date in my report.</li> </ul>

<b>Conclusions</b>	As above.
<b>Votes</b>	N/A
<b>Action items</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Sophia to arrange the meals for Law Dinner such that there is an entrée and a main.</li> <li>2. Sophia to investigate some form of sweet food option to have at Law Dinner (e.g. doughnut machine).</li> <li>3. Sophia to continue planning for the non-alcoholic wellness event.</li> <li>4. Sophia to continue investigating a wine tour venue.</li> </ol>
<b>Moved by</b>	Eloise
<b>Carried by</b>	Azaara

<b>Item: Director of Careers and Sponsorship</b>	
<b>Presented by</b>	Soraya Pradhan
<b>Discussion</b>	<p>Deferred to written report with the following additions:</p> <p><u>Online Engagement:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Soraya: Cowell Clarke was happy recently and thanked us for our online advertising because they saw their own ad on Facebook.</li> </ul> <p><u>Careers Seminar Survey:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Soraya: We had a great amount of responses. I have sent the data to the Next Steps seminar organisers. Thanks everyone for participating. We will be doing some new events as a result: a seminar on careers in Government Policy and International Relations, for example.</li> </ul> <p><u>Belal: Government Policy and International Affairs:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Belal: We are thinking of getting a presenter in called Dave. This will happen later this semester. We also want to have a summary page of information that people can take after the seminar. But we are still planning.</li> </ul> <p><u>Liv and Tyson: Criminal Law and Family Law Seminar:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Liv: This seminar will happen in week 9. We are thinking of having 4 speakers: 2 criminal law speakers and 2 family law speakers. We already have some ideas for the family speakers, but if anyone knows people who work in criminal law, please let us know.</li> </ul> <p><u>Liv and James: early years initiative:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Liv/James: Our current plan is to have coffee catch-ups where we get people from younger years, and then a few mentors, and they have coffee. We are tossing up between students in later years or early graduates as our mentors.</li> <li>Eloise: This is very similar to my idea and Lex Salus is thinking of doing something similar too. Maybe it would be better to collaborate so it is not fragmented.</li> <li>Soraya [to Eloise]: I will keep you in the loop moving forward. I didn't know Lex Salus was thinking about this kind of initiative.</li> <li>Eloise: I'm open to combining forces and maybe we can make this a bigger thing.</li> <li>Gaida: Our idea is more about mentoring for first years to help them settle into university, not so much about career readiness.</li> <li>Soraya [to Eloise, Gaida, Liv and James]: I will keep you all in the loop.</li> <li>Gaida: Let us know when you want to advertise etc. Also, we have list of people who have signed up.</li> </ul> <p><u>Triversity Carers Fair:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Soraya referred to her views and negotiating position as outlined in her written report.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Soraya: Does anyone have strong thoughts on the Triversity Careers Fair negotiating position?</li> <li>• No comments were made.</li> </ul>
<b>Conclusions</b>	As above.
<b>Votes</b>	N/A
<b>Action items</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Planning on semester 2 seminars to continue.</li> <li>2. Soraya to keep Eloise and Lex Salus updated with plans regarding coffee catch-ups.</li> <li>3. Triversity Careers Fair negotiations to continue.</li> </ol>
<b>Moved by</b>	Ali G
<b>Carried by</b>	Azaara

<b>Item: Director of Education</b>	
<b>Presented by</b>	Azaara Perakath
<b>Discussion</b>	<p>Deferred to written report with the following additions:</p> <p><u>Chelsea: First Year Drinks:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>We have spoken to Belgian Beer Cafe. We are planning to use the upstairs room, for which there is free hire and no minimum spend. We were thinking of holding the event in week 2. We will have happy hour specials for the duration for the event. They will print drink cards for the first 100 people, so that's the only cost to the AULSS, then after that the cost will be for students to pay as they buy things.</li> <li>Alison: That is good timing because it's the week before Quiz Night.</li> </ul> <p><u>Electives Guide:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Azaara: The Electives Guide will need some input. The guide was last updated in 2012. I don't want to overwhelm people with work, but it will need new articles. In the past we did some surveys about enjoyment, etc. but I don't want to overlap with SELTs too much. The data was pretty rudimentary in the past so it is still being decided whether we keep the data at all.</li> </ul> <p><u>Awards/Recognition Ceremony:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Azaara: We are also looking into running an awards ceremony in conjunction with the Law School. The purpose is to recognise people outside the University who have contributed to student life or competitions. We need to strengthen our connections with the legal community and there are lots of people who help students with judging, provide jobs etc. But first we need to talk to Melissa about it.</li> </ul>
<b>Conclusions</b>	As above.
<b>Votes</b>	N/A
<b>Action items</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Chelsea to finalise First Year Drinks arrangements.</li> <li>Azaara to continue planning for the Electives Guide.</li> <li>Azaara to continue discussions about introducing an Awards/Recognition Ceremony.</li> </ol>
<b>Moved by</b>	Sophia
<b>Carried by</b>	Mitchell

<b>Item: Director of Social Justice</b>	
<b>Presented by</b>	Erin Mack in lieu of Louis Guglietti
<b>Discussion</b>	<p>Erin deferred to the written report with the following additions:</p> <p><u>Volunteering Guide:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Erin: The main thing we need from the Committee is for you to contact us if you've done some volunteering. Message Louis if you have done any work. We want to put information in the Volunteering Guide.</li> <li>• Alison: You could include people who did CLE too.</li> <li>• Henry: Who might be able to write a volunteering report? It would be good to note down a quick list for reference.</li> <li>• [Alison, Soraya, Azaara, Elliette, Gaida and Henry raised their hands].</li> </ul> <p><u>Next theme:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Erin: We have also moved into our second theme: Indigenous peoples and the law. We want to do a night time event, but not an alcoholic one due to the sensitivity of the topic. We still want to do a night time event, but we are going to think about it a bit more.</li> </ul> <p><u>Women's Legal Service:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cloe: I was approached a few weeks ago by someone asking for support in selling soup to support the Women's Legal Service. We will convene a sub-committee. Can we do an all students email?</li> <li>• Alison: The Walk for Justice sub-committee is now a General Social Justice sub-committee, so they will be able to assist. You can do an all students email too.</li> <li>• Cloe: The event will be on 15 August. – Alison: Marg and Paul are keen about this too.</li> <li>• Cloe: If you want to go to actual event too, it's at Public on Franklin Street. Maggie Beer will be in attendance.</li> </ul>
<b>Conclusions</b>	As above.
<b>Votes</b>	N/A
<b>Action items</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Committee members to contact Louis if they have volunteering experience.</li> <li>2. Further consideration to be given to the Indigenous peoples and the law event.</li> <li>3. General social justice sub-committee to be convened to assist with the Women's Legal Service event.</li> </ol>
<b>Moved by</b>	Jack
<b>Carried by</b>	Sam

<b>Item: Director of Competitions</b>	
<b>Presented by</b>	Sam Leeson
<b>Discussion</b>	<p>Deferred to written report with the following additions:</p> <p><u>Competitions rules update:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sam: This was a big task, but it is nearing completion. Thanks to Mitch who took on two competitions.</li> <li>• Alison: Can you send around the new rules to the Executive before competitions start? – Sam: Yes. Thanks again for those who helped.</li> </ul> <p><u>M&amp;A Competition:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sam: Big thanks to Deakin University and Alison for getting details and information on this new competition. Because it's an intricate scenario, we will use their materials to minimise potential issues arising. Otherwise, Barraket Stanton is the sponsor and Soraya is liaising with them frequently.</li> </ul> <p><u>Beginners Mooting Seminar:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sam: This event is happening tomorrow night. Please come along if you're interested.</li> <li>• Alison: Can I please have some volunteers to post in the year level groups? [Various people volunteered].</li> </ul> <p><u>Gibbs Moot:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Alison: We have registered a team on the University's behalf to participate in the Harry Gibbs Constitutional Law Moot. Anna Olijnyk is going to be the team's coach. We are going to ask that competitors pay their own costs. We are also looking at other competitions. Information will come out soon. There will also be an independent selection process.</li> <li>• Henry: The AULSS will be paying the registration fee but only because we need to finalise the registration before the deadline. We will ultimately have the competitors reimburse us once we know who they are.</li> </ul>
<b>Conclusions</b>	As above.
<b>Votes</b>	N/A
<b>Action items</b>	1. Sam to circulate redrafted competitions rules.
<b>Moved by</b>	Gaida
<b>Carried by</b>	Mitchell

## Agenda Items – Other Business

<b>Item: The Hilarian</b>	
<b>Presented by</b>	Ali Gunning and Hugo Chapman (Nick Garbas was absent)
<b>Discussion</b>	<p><u>General:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ali G: The contributions have been disappointing. Engagement with the student group has been poor. It's becoming very hard with just the three of us to get content out. We have also had some issues with the Law Ball video, so that probably won't be going up. We are missing Elliott a lot.</li> <li>• Alison: I think you could use the Facebook page more. We could also get a sub-committee together?</li> <li>• Ali G: We are thinking of doing sponsored posts.</li> <li>• Soraya: If you take sponsorship, it creates an expectation as to our conduct. – Alison: Do you mean getting sponsorship or paying for sponsored posts? – Ali G: Just paying for sponsored posts. – Soraya: Sorry, ignore me.</li> <li>• Alison: Also look at the Obiter, it's very good.</li> </ul>
<b>Conclusions</b>	N/A
<b>Votes</b>	N/A
<b>Action items</b>	1. Work on next issue to continue.

<b>Item: Communications Officer</b>	
<b>Presented by</b>	Alison Jones (Claudia Boccaccio was overseas)
<b>Discussion</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Alison: Claudia has been away. I have taken over her role in her absence. She will be back soon. Make use of her abilities!</li> </ul>
<b>Conclusions</b>	N/A
<b>Votes</b>	N/A
<b>Action items</b>	N/A

<b>Item: IT Officer</b>	
<b>Presented by</b>	No report was given as Elliott Sarre has resigned due to his exchange.
<b>Discussion</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Alison: I will be calling for a new IT Officer in the next few days. In the meantime, please run any IT-related matters past me. E.g. Soraya has sent me things for the job board. Let your friends know to apply for the IT Officer role!</li> </ul>
<b>Conclusions</b>	N/A
<b>Votes</b>	N/A
<b>Action items</b>	N/A

<b>Item: Equity and Wellbeing Officer</b>	
<b>Presented by</b>	Eloise Dibden
<b>Discussion</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Eloise: There is not too much to update everyone about. The contentious coffee catch-up idea is out of the way, no offence intended. Hopefully we are going to start coffee catch-ups next week. I'm also working with Lex Salus on several things including the non-alcoholic event. I also thinking about a law school banner, which might not work out but it could be a collaborative initiative where people contribute to making it. I'm also thinking about an end of year raffle where prizes could be things like coffee with someone important or a tour of someone's office, etc. – things that people cannot easily buy for themselves. Finally, I'm going to be doing an Equity Handbook and it would be good to get contributions.</li> </ul>
<b>Conclusions</b>	N/A
<b>Votes</b>	N/A
<b>Action items</b>	As above.

<b>Item: Mature Age Student Representative</b>	
<b>Presented by</b>	Daniel Bartlett
<b>Discussion</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Daniel: I am organising a dinner for Week 3. I am going to put up a poll on Mature Age Students' Facebook group to sort out the details. I am also keen to get someone from the profession with kids to come in and talk about work-life balance for anyone who is interested.</li> <li>Alison: Please invite the first year mature age students to the first year drinks next week!</li> </ul>
<b>Conclusions</b>	N/A
<b>Votes</b>	N/A
<b>Action items</b>	1. Daniel to continue organising the Mature Age Students dinner.

<b>Item: Other announcements as may arise</b>	
<b>Presented by</b>	Alison and Sophia
<b>Discussion</b>	<p><u>ALSA Council:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sophia: Alison and I chose two things from ALSA to discuss with the Committee. I am discussing finance. We talked about this with other societies of a similar size to us. A lot of other large law student societies do investments. Some have financial advisers (e.g. University of Queensland). They sometimes match donations dollar for dollar. Others noted that they try to spend their funds on long term assets like trophies. They also try to send people to competitions interstate or overseas, but this can sometimes be a problem if it's the same people going each time and making the most of the money. My personal favourite was that the University of Melbourne has a textbook scheme where they invest in textbooks and provide grants to students in financial need. The university advises the society who is in financial need, so it's fair.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Alison: My only concern would be if students were judging other students, but it sounds like we could avoid that.</li> <li>• Ali G: The Dean’s Fund is pretty accessible and confidential.</li> <li>• Alison: I think if we were to do a textbook scheme like that, it’s something that Eloise could help to facilitate.</li> <li>• Sophia: We also had speakers from the Blackstone Society (University of WA). The Dean’s Dog is part of an initiative called Juris Dogtor, as a wellbeing investment. They also do lots of micro events (e.g. fruit bowls) that are easy to organise. They have wellness weeks and relationships with local businesses, similar to what we have been doing with Social Justice and the Law School Local programme.</li> <li>• Alison: We also had some really good guest speakers at ALSA Council. For example, Tim Mellor (President, Law Society of SA) and Justice Doyle (Supreme Court of South Australia). There was also a presentation from two 2 Adelaide Law graduates (mature age Indigenous students from 2016). They spoke about Indigenous cultural competency. A lot of law student societies have some sort of Indigenous Officer or First Nations Officer. For us, the take-away was that there some problems that Indigenous students face that we were not even aware of. We should acknowledge this. We should do things to facilitate cultural competency. It was very confronting hearing about some of these experiences. Those former students also recommended that scholarships for Indigenous students are well advertised; more advertising of Indigenous opportunities; introducing an Indigenous Officer; advocating for those students (e.g. scholarships being based on need) to ensure that scholarships for disadvantaged students have a greater focus on financial need). Finally, they spoke about how Law Schools can do more to engage with Indigenous issues. I think we do okay with this thanks to things like the native title internship programme, property law perspectives and parts of the Principles of Public Law subject.</li> </ul>
<b>Conclusions</b>	N/A
<b>Votes</b>	N/A
<b>Action items</b>	N/A

**Meeting closed at:** 7:35pm ACST

Signed by the member who presided at this meeting pursuant to s 51(1)(b)(ii) of the *Associations Incorporation Act 1985 (SA)*:

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